

**I. AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

Please replace the abstract on page 40 of the application with the following amended abstract.

~~The present invention provides a~~ A remote control system for a locomotive. ~~The remote control system that~~ comprises a remote control device, an identification interface and a locomotive controller module. The remote control device is operative for receiving a command signal indicative of an action to be executed by the locomotive. The identification interface is adapted for receiving user identification data from a user of the remote control device. The locomotive controller module is suitable for mounting at the locomotive and is adapted for generating local control signals. When the user identification data belongs to an authorized user, the locomotive controller module is operative to issue a local control signal for causing the locomotive to execute the action conveyed by the command signal received at the remote control device.